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Shanghai Municipal Council.

POLICE FORCE,
(DETECTIVE BRANCH.)

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Sir,

During the last two days there has been four cases of snatching of the funds when being conveyed from the office for distribution to the applicants.

The French Police has visited all the rebel offices and cautioned the occupants to behave themselves in a peaceful manner.

The rebels who have received funds for repatriation show no signs of leaving Shanghai.

On the afternoon of the 22nd inst about 30 rebels speaking the Hupeh dialect were loitering around Lai Nyi Too, Pootung 烟兒渡浦東 Their object has not yet been ascertained.

Representatives of the rebels met representatives of the Chamber of Commerce in the Yih Ping Shiang 一品香 restaurant, Thibet Road, on the 22nd inst. The question of an increased grant of money was discussed but no decision was arrived.

The applicants for repatriation funds on the 21st only amounted to three tenths of the lists made up for that date but on the 22nd about eight tenths of the number arranged for received the grant. The applicants included the followers of Han Hwe.

Payment will be made to-day to the persons on the lists as previously arranged. Since the commencement of the distribution of the repatriation funds troops have been stationed at about twenty yards interval along the road from St. Catherine's Bridge to the Arsenal. An escort of two soldiers is also sent as far as the Frenchtown boundary with all the rebel leaders who draw a considerable sum of money.

Two of the rebel leaders named Lee Vung Hwe 李文光 of Hunan and Zung Ase Tien 程爾天 of Hupeh have absconded with funds amounting to $2,200.00 entrusted to them for distribution among their followers.

Your Obedient Servant,

[signature]

Chief Detective Inspector.

Captain Superintendent of Police.